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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY ROME

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TAGS: TOCY, IT

SUBJECT: R/V EASTWARD CLEARANCE REQUESTS

REF: (A) STATE 29152 (B) ROME 5594 (C) STATE 103645  
(D) ROME 7668 (E) STATE 109494 (F) ROME 8444

1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL F, REYTELS A AND C ARE SEPARATE CLEARANCE REQUESTS. DR. PILKEY'S RESEARCH CRUISE IS SCHEDULED FROM 23 JUNE - 3 AUG, AS STATED REFTEL A. IT IS STANDARD PRACTICE TO REQUEST CLEARANCE FOR ENTIRE PERIOD OF CRUISE. BECAUSE REFTEL B SPECIFICALLY ASKED FOR EXACT DATES CLEARANCE WAS NEEDED FROM GOI, REFTEL E PROVIDED DATES OF 8-11 JULY. RESEARCH CRUISES ARE SUBJECT TO MANY VARIABLES THEREFORE REFTEL E STATES THAT EMBASSY WOULD BE INFORMED OF ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES. FOR THIS REASON EMBASSY SHOULD ATTEMPT TO SECURE CLEARANCE FOR FULL PERIOD, 23 JUNE - 3 AUG BUT IF UNABLE TO DO SO GOI SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT CLEARANCE PERIOD MAY HAVE TO BE ADJUSTED AT A LATER DATE.

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2. NATURE OF DR. PILKEY'S RESEARCH IS DESCRIBED BY REYTELS A AND E. DEPT HAS RECEIVED COPY OF LETTER FROM MARIA BIANCA CITA TO CAPTAIN ERIC NELSON AT DUKE UNIVERSITY. KEY PARTS OF THE LETTER ARE REPEATED BELOW

WHICH SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO GOI:

IN THE REQUEST TO BE FORWARDED TO THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES,  
YOU SHOULD NOTIFY

(A) THAT THE CRUISES HAVE BEEN PLANNED, AND ARE CARRIED  
OUT IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH ITALIAN SCIENTISTS, FUNDED  
BY CONSIGLIO NAZIONALE DELLE RICERCHE OF ITALY,

(B) THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITIONS IS  
TWOFOOLD

SCIENTIFIC THEME NO ONE IS THE TEST OF ALTERNATIVE HYPOTHESIS  
FORMULATED ON THE ORIGIN OF THE IONIAN SEA (BY  
DREDGING ITS ESCARPMENTS, WHERE MESOZOIC AGE FORMATIONS  
ARE EXPOSED)

SCIENTIFIC THEME NO. 2 IS THE TEST OF ALTERNATIVE HYPOTHESIS  
ON THE ORIGIN OF THE "COBBLESTONE" TOPOGRAPHY  
CHARACTERISTIC OF SOME AREAS OF THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN  
(BY DETAILED SURVEYS OF THE BOTTOM AND PISTON CORING).

(C) THAT THE ITALIAN SCIENTISTS EMBARQUED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

LEG BARCELONA-CROTONE (AUGUST 21-SEPTEMBER 7)

DR. MARIA BIANCA CITA, UNIVERSITY OF MILANO, ORDINARY  
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PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR, PROGETTO FINALIZZATO GEODINAMICA  
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MICROPALAEONTOLOGIST

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MICROPALAEONTOLOGIST

DR. ALBERTO MAZZEI, UNIVERSITY OF PISA, MICROPALAEONTOLOGIST

DR. GIUSEPPE GIUNTA, UNIVERSITY OF PALERMO, GEOLOGIST

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, I ADD THAT ITALIAN FUNDING IS PROVIDED BY CNR THROUGH TWO DIFFERENT CONTRACTS:

(1) THE PART OF THE PROGRAM DEALING WITH THE IONIAN ESCARPMENTS IS FUNDED BY PROGETTO FINALIZZATO GEODINAMICA

(2) THE PART OF THE PROGRAM CONCERNING THE COBBLESTONE TOPOGRAPHY IS FUNDED BY UFFICIO RELAZIONI INTERNAZIONALI (URI) THROUGH GRANT OF THE COOPERATIVE ITALIA-USA PROGRAM.  
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3. ACTION OFFICE IS CURIOUS WHY OIA, MARAD IS INFO ON EMBASSY CABLES SINCE THIS OFFICE HAS NO CONTACT WITH OIA.  
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